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FIVE HUNDRED ATTACK AND RAID A N. M. TOWN

Five Hundred Villa Bandits Attacked New Mexico Town and Held It in Charge Over an Hour—They Were Driven Out by U. S. Troops in a Bloody Battle—Ten Americans and Many Mexicans Were Killed

Columbus, N. M., March 9.—Ten or more Americans, civilians and soldiers, were killed early this morning when 500 Villa bandits attacked this town and held it in their possession for an hour and a half. They were driven off by three troops of the Thirtieth Cavalry at 6 o'clock, leaving part of the town in flames.

The Mexican dead dotted the streets where they had been posted, picking off Americans as they emerged from dwellings and hotels. Several guests were burned to death in the Central Hotel. The American death list, as far as known, includes:

FIVE SOLDIERS,
MILTON JAMES AND WIFE,
J. S. DEAN,
C. C. MILLER,
A. L. RICHTIE,
W. R. WALKER.

The Villa soldiers crossed the border three miles south of here, where the fight began, and came to town in the deep ditches paralleling the railroad. When they were heard approaching, Lieutenant Caterman, officer of the day, turned out his men in the cavalry camp. Shrieking their battle yells the Mexicans in overwhelming numbers, rushed savagely into the town. The first volley of shots awoke the townspeople.

The official army report to Washington said three American soldiers were killed and four wounded. Other Americans killed in the fight were J. J. Moore, an unidentified chauffeur from El Paso. Fourteen dead Mexicans were counted.

Villa is said to have been seen by several Americans directing his men to cut all telegraph wires to prevent calls for American troops at El Paso. It was learned today from Arthur McKinney Foreman that the personal papers of Villa contained in a port-

W. E. Patterson and W. E. Gandy, two of Kurten's prominent farmers, spent last night in Bryan. They report farming operations well advanced in their community, but that a good rain would be most highly appreciated.

manteau were found by United States troops west of the American camp.

The American soldiers killed were FRANK KENDVALL, SERGEANT M. A. DOBBS, CORPORAL PAUL SIMON, SERGEANT JOHN NIEPVERGILT, CORPORAL HARRY VISALL, PRIVATE FRED GRIFFIN.

MEANS INTERVENTION.

STIRS INTERVENTION TALK. [By Associated Press.] Washington, March 9.—Official Washington is waiting with interest for a detailed report on the Columbus raid today. The state department said the situation is "very grave," but no announcement was made as to what action would be taken until the official investigation is concluded.

General Funston's official report said the cavalrymen were pursuing the bandits south.

The raid started a new agitation in congress by those who have opposed the administration's Mexican policy who openly charged attack was proof of their repeated declaration that the Carranza government was impotent to deal with the situation.

Secretary of War Newton Baker, who took charge of the office today, transmitted to President Wilson reports on the attack as quickly as they were received at the war department. It was said at the White House that vigorous steps would be taken to punish the bandits.

The president directed Secretary of War Baker to do everything possible to protect the Americans.

[By Associated Press.] Washington, March 9.—Senator Clarke of Arkansas in the senate today said the Columbus affair meant intervention. "I don't see what else can be done," he said. The president faces a new Mexican crisis.

G. R. Wicker, manager of the American Steam Laundry, went to Navasota on a short business trip yesterday evening, returning this morning.

J. T. Swanson of Navasota was here yesterday on business.



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VESSELS COLLIDE IN DENSE FOG

Tug Cut in Two and Sank at Once.
No Loss of Life Reported.

[By Associated Press.] Newport News, Va., March 9.—The Old Dominion passenger steamer Madison and the tug Daniel W. Willard collided at Hampton Roads. The tug was cut in two and sank immediately. There was no loss of life.

DEATH OF D. CUNNINGHAM.

Mr. D. Cunningham, an old citizen of the Smetana community, died at his home yesterday morning about 9 o'clock and was buried in the City Cemetery at Bryan today at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Cunningham had lived in that community for about seventeen or eighteen years and was well known to the people there as well as in other sections of the county.

He was about 70 years of age, a good citizen, who was of a retiring and quiet disposition, well liked by all who knew him and all will regret to hear of his death.

He is survived by his wife and two sons, Gip and Hall Cunningham, and a daughter, Mrs. Dandy Cahill.

H. L. M'KNIGHT WORKS UP INTEREST

Stirring Up Farmers of Anderson County Along Lines of Improved Methods.

H. L. McKnight, representative from the A. and M. College, who is here this week making a campaign of the county in company with Demonstrator H. Gentry, is very much encouraged by what he has seen and heard since starting in the Anderson County campaign. Mr. McKnight said to a Herald man this morning that he found much to encourage hopes for better farming conditions here this year and in future years. And he said he wanted to say while he had the opportunity that Mr. Gentry had made good with the people of the county. He said this was not always true in counties where demonstrators worked, but in Mr. Gentry's case the people seem eager to cooperate with him and get his suggestions.

Mr. McKnight says the best evidence that the farmers here are interested in diversification is furnished in the many questions they ask following each lecture or conference.

One of the first meetings of the week was held at Montalba Monday night and it proved a very interesting one.—Palestine Herald.

BRYAN VISITORS.

The following were registered at the Bryan free wagon yard last night: J. M. Jordan, H. W. Everett, J. D. George, W. A. Denman, Daniel DeHart, Ernest DeHart, Will Denman, Will Henry of Edge, Roy Ball of Taylor, J. W. Burney, T. L. Boswell, J. H. Boswell, R. F. Cheatham, J. E. Wallace of Zulch, J. T. Cox, G. Gilpin, Ambus Gilpin, Wash Colbert and Jim Dixon of Iola.

DEED FOR RECORD.

J. W. Howell to Jerry and Eugenia Simpson, tract of land in Bryan's addition to the city of Bryan; consideration, \$300.

A. Moore of Harris school house was in the city today.

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GERMANY HAS DECLARED WAR ON PORTUGAL

Hostilities Were Announced Wednesday Afternoon and the Portugese Minister at Berlin Was Given His Passport—Berlin Claims the Capture of Important Points About Verdun.

[By Associated Press.] Berlin, March 9.—(Bulletin)—Germany declared war on Portugal yesterday at 3 o'clock. The Portugese minister was given his passports.

War Summary.

[By Associated Press.] London, March 9.—The village and fort of Vaux have been captured by the Germans, the war office announces. The report says numerous adjoining positions also were captured in an assault made last night.

In Verdun the French repulsed repeated German attacks on Bethincourt, according to Paris, and again

near Donauwörth. German residents throughout Portugal have been advised to proceed to Spain immediately, according to a Lisbon report. It is supposed the diplomats will leave this week.

Portugese Break Certain.

[By Associated Press.] Paris, March 9.—A Lisbon dispatch to the Matin says a rupture with Germany is regarded as inevitable by the Portugese government. Special protective measures have been taken along the coast against submarines. All light houses have been ordered darkened.

FISHING TIME.

Fishing time is here. If you will pass by the Cole Hardware Company's store and fail to get the fishing fever you are immune, and vaccination for fish bites would do you no good. Their display window of all kinds of fishing tackle, minnow buckets, nets, hooks and artificial bait is very pretty and attractive, and a few days like today and everyone will want to go fishing.

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VICK BROS.

John Wilcox came in last night from his home at Tabor and left on the night train for Austin, where he was called on business.

BISHOP KINSOLVING COMING.

The Rt. Rev. George Herbert Kinsolving, the bishop of Texas, will make his annual official visitation to St. Andrew's parish of this city on Sunday morning and will administer the sacrament of confirmation to a large class in St. Andrew's Church at the 11 o'clock service. The bishop will also be the preacher for the day. A cordial invitation is extended all who may wish to attend.

DISTRICT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Lawrence Grocery Company vs. T. H. Royder et al, judgment for plaintiff for amount of note sued on and costs.

Lawrence Grocery Company vs. J. E. Anderson et al, judgment for plaintiff for amount of note sued for and for costs of suit.

T. J. Preston vs. W. E. Watson et al, judgment by agreement.

Lawrence Grocery Company vs. Tom E. Davis et al, judgment for plaintiff for amount of note sued for and for costs of suit.

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